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Remarks

Please note that Claim 7 was included in Group II in error in the Office Action dated February 17, 2005. Cancellation of claims 1 and 7 addresses the Examiner's concern that the application covers two unrelated inventions and restricts the invention to Group II.

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